CIA Is Assailed By Rep. Rangel On Drug Data

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Rep. Charles B. Rangel (D.-N.Y.) said yesterday "paranoid quest for secrecy" in the Central Intelligence Agency is keeping information about drug traffic in Southeast Asia from the American public.

Rangel, a member of the House Select Committee on Crime, said the CIA has consistently refused his requests for reports on opium and heroin trafficking, although some are already public knowledge or are available from other agencies.

"Each citizen has the fundamental right to know which governments allow drug production to flourish at the expense of our children's lives."